

The Shakerite

An expression of student opinion

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Amster and Hollander

Caught in the act of earning some spare spending specie are: top left, Jim Church; top right, Tom Linders; lower left, Carol Ann Gibbons and Barbara Brazie; lower right, Steve Qua.

Many Ways Found to Fill Shakerites' Deep Pockets

Shakerites! Do you make your spare cash by dealing in the "used car" business, by standing around in a store, or do you merely depend upon paternal support? Tom Taylor relies upon a little home help once in a while, but he is usually busy planting trees and digging potatoes on the Taylor farm at Kingsville, Ohio.

Bill Gray thought for a time that he would enjoy the beautiful open air life of a surveyor. However, his father gave him a job as rodsman on week-ends and he finds his job too strenuous. It takes a large amount of strength to be able to hold the pole, against which the surveyor sights, in a perfectly upright position for minutes at a time without moving. Just as a comfortable position is reached where the mud ceases to flow into the shoe from the top, but merely filter water in through the soles, it is time to move to a new and slimier mudhole.

Standing Room Only

Michael Winer decided that instead of paying to see movies it would be much better if he took a job as usher and saw them free. He can be viewed ducking spitballs on any Saturday afternoon, and on most evenings dodging back and forth down the aisles at the Colony Theater. "Some of the patrons can lead a pretty wicked chase," says Mike.

Graham McLeod is able to indulge in his mania for Duck hunting any day down at the Gun and Tackle Shop. Al Griffith helps out in a grocery store at E. 93rd and Hough. Anybody need some vegetables, or aren't there any amateur shows in town now?

It may look as though the girls have been slighted up to this time; a few do work rather than borrow from boy friends in time of

need. Two of these are Barbara Brazie and Carol Ann Gibbons. Carol Ann works for Miss Jean Anderson here in the school library. She has reached the peak of success in that she has now graduated to the illustrious position of being the one assistant who is allowed to TYPE! It is one of her jobs to peck out library cards, book reviews to be pasted into the books, and other such literature. Barbara has been graduated from Miss Anderson's training school to work at the main headquarters. This job is not recommended to any person who cannot read.

Marcus Gregory had to give up his Plain Dealer route last winter because of a leg injury. It healed and he was promoted to the office. His occupation is to answer the phone for the pleasure of being bawled out by irate customers who are feuding with their carriers. As long as it is only on the telephone Mark is safe, though he may have to wash his ears out with soap occasionally; when they begin to make their complaints in person it is time to quit.

Ham on Rye

Shaker will be known soon for its abundance of druggists. Dick Hambridge is studying hard at Lynfield Drug, where he almost always finds some job ready to squelch his ambition. Also he may have to act beyond the call of duty and rescue a 35c magazine from a chocolate soda. In like straits is Larry Let-

German a la Shaker Proves of Interest

An ambitious student of Shaker Heights High School might walk up the three flights of stairs to the third floor. A clever student might secure a key to the elevator (better not try it), and ride up. An athletic student might even go so far as to climb up by the eaves and land on the third floor by means of a window. The object, it should now be plain, is to get to the third floor, and once we have done so we can consider one of the cubicles therein which is devoted to the instruction and learning of a foreign language. The subject is room 310, Mrs. Eva Mae Barrow's German instructorium.

During class hours there can be seen emanating from this respected place strange luminous undulating lines. When analyzed, these waves are found to be thought impulses. Upon entering one finds the pupils hunched over their desks industriously translating the works of Von Potz or one of the other great German authors. After a solid hour of this intense study, the students race straight home and start in on their *hauserbeiten* (homework), upon which they spend another couple of hours (this last bit of information having been gleaned from several outstanding German students).

Of course all is not seriousness and hard work behind the iron curtain of 310. Every so often the erudite atmosphere is split by a humorous remark, a harmless (?) prank, or some out of the ordinary incident worth mentioning. One of these happened just a few weeks ago.

Secret Message

A young man named Harry E tofsky, who regularly is seen working at the Shaker Pharmacy.

A. T. & T Up ½

In a school the size of Shaker High it is inevitable that there should be two people at least who have different jobs from the run of the mill. One of these is Terry Miskell who works periodically in the summer to raise enough capital to buy a few stocks; just enough to live on the dividends thereof for the rest of the year. The second person is Stephen Qua. Steve holds the record for wearing the most grease at the end of a working day of servicing cars down at the Qua Buick Agency. Steve is the only mechanic and parts-chaser in the city of Cleveland who can get a coating of grease from the valve on the compressed air line while filling a tire. All Steve needs to do is to walk under a car on a hoist to become covered with axle grease. No other mechanic can make this statement.

I Want Mama!

That old pastime of baby sitting is still indulged in by many Shaker students; two prominent people from these ranks are Happy Hanscom and Dorothy Gebhard. However, they do not work on the same jobs at the same time. Each one chooses his or her own baby to sit with. Is anybody lonely?

One of the few who go to work downtown is Jim Sears. He stands all day long at the May Company each Saturday. Jim says that he gets more than money from his work. Shoplifting from the inside? No, but he does participate in the buying end of sales before the common public gets its chance.

Some people like the smell of printer's ink on paper. Two Shaker students in this category are Jim Church and Pete Acker. Both give quick and neat printing service, which probably explains the fact that they never need to use red ink in the ledger. **Frank Moore**

New Girls' Swim Teacher

The statement that men prefer blondes has been greatly substantiated by the double glances Shaker males have been taking when Miss Mary Barnett, the girls' new swimming teacher, passes through the halls.

While Miss Barnett attended Heights High she was a member of the swim cadets; her enjoyment of this group was responsible for the choice of the sport as a career. After graduating from Heights in 1944 she attended Pennsylvania State. Completing the four years last June, she is obtaining her first teaching experience here at Shaker.

Miss Barnett has offered varsity divers new encouragement and inspiration by helping John Stark coach the boys on this phase of the sport.

Swim:

One of her plans for the year is to have every Shaker girl learn to swim and reach at least the intermediate swimmer category by the end of the year. More diving instruction will be given.

Miss Barnett has also started a modern dance group, which meets on Fridays after school. This offers instruction in a new field; although many students have taken advantage of the class, Miss Barnett hopes for an increased turnout in the future. If possible, she intends to put on a performance of dancing skills later in the year.

When asked if she enjoys teaching at Shaker, she replied, "I certainly do. Shaker is an ideal size for a high school, and the kids are swell."

Shaker's Recesses Revealed

The parts of this school which are most essential to its efficient operation are rarely seen by the students. Your reporter was taken on a tour of the school by custodian Charlie Dubbs, and a description of the itinerary follows.

The first place visited was the boiler room. Within this towering cavern are three massive furnaces, and all the automatic equipment that goes with them. These giants provide heat for the major portion of the school.

Unknown Tunnels

Next we saw the tunnels which run under the gyms and the swimming pool. These passages contain water mains, steam returns, electrical conduits, fire control pipes, and even a tube called the "cyclone" which brings the wood shavings from Mr. Charles Hane's shop to the boiler room for burning. A main station in this labyrinth is the laundry, which has incorporated in it the chlorination and filtration units for the water of the swimming pool.

Another part of this "behind-the-scenes" material which the students know little or nothing about is the fresh air and ventilating system. A fenced-in enclosure above the third floor contains the air intakes and outlets which provide the school with clean air all day, every day. The air is admitted through numer-

ous vents in the roof, and pumped into the halls and classrooms. These openings are controlled automatically from a panel in the custodian's office. The used air is forced into exhaust pipes and out of the tower high over the center of the building.

This attic also contains the heating plant for the large auditorium, the motor-generator for the physics lab, and the air exhaust system for the "hood" in the chemistry lab. Mr. French uses some of the storage space for keeping radio equipment.

There are other places which are comparatively uninteresting, but nevertheless important. Among them is the elevator control (room 14). After we examined some of its intricacies it is easy to see why the system sometimes goes out of order. Another is the space between the roof of the auditorium and the ceiling of the school. This contains the ventilator pipes, equipment for raising and lowering the chandeliers, and spotlights which are used in stage productions.

Bob Scher

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Dr. Carmichael Says...

Q—Dear Mr. Carmichael:

As my parents have been out of town for the last couple of weeks hunting polar bears in Miami, I have found it possible to get the car whenever I want. However, a very unfortunate accident has just occurred which puts me behind the eight ball. The other day, as I was driving at a moderate speed down Tarrington Road, minding my own business and staying completely within the law, some punk raced down South Woodland and clipped me as I drove through the stop street. Of course, the fool should have stopped when he saw me coming, but because he didn't, I have a big dent in my fender.

My parents will be home this Saturday and here I am unable to have the fender fixed by then. What can I do?

Apprehensively yours,

Simon Hotchkiss

A.—Dear Simon:

In your case there are only two things that you can do. You can either be honest about it and tell all, or you can skip town. If you decide on the latter course, I will gladly contact my friend, Phineas E. Pinkham, who will lend you all you need at a reasonable rate of interest. But the best thing for you to do is to be honest and confess your error. I'm sure that if you simply tell your father that you ran into a car while going through a stop street, he'll forgive you. Of course, you recall the story of George Washington and the cherry tree. Your father, being overjoyed at your honesty, will probably give you some reward instead of punishment.

But if you decide on the latter plan, don't forget that the Southern Limited leaves the Terminal at 7:35 a. m. sharp!

Affectionately yours,

DR. Clamwinkle Carmichael.

So far all the interesting contributions to the Shakerite Box have been of this humorous type. Just to show that Shaker's lighter vein is not so varicose so as to bloat its whole body, how about some straight stuff mixed in?

Dr. C. C.

Q—Dear "Winkie":

Last week I accepted a blind date with a fellow named Gaspar Libschlitz, but I just saw a picture of him. He has a face that a decent person wouldn't use for a spittoon. His ears stick out three feet on each side, his nose hangs down over his chin, and his teeth protrude over his lips.

Now, as I am in perfect health, am not prone to getting headaches, and have no little brother or sister to stay home with, I am in sad shape for finding excuses. Since we once knew each other personally, I thought that you might be able to help me in getting out of this date.

Yours,
Lola Lunkhead

A.—Dear Lola:

My dear girl, you must never be too hasty in your decisions. Looks aren't everything, remember. Don't forget money.

However, if you feel you must elude this character, I think the best way of being sure that you'll never be bothered with him again (having been acquainted with you) would be to send a picture of yourself to the poor fellow.

With my heartiest congratulations on your success, I am,

Dr. Clamwinkle (call me
"Clammy") Carmichael.



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Inmates of 310 have often tried to play tricks on Mrs. Barrow, but she hasn't been fooled yet. She always seems to know where people hide the erasers, but on one occasion it looked as if she had met her match. Some miscreant had surreptitiously placed a snowball on her chair. As she walked over to the chair, she seemed not to notice the lethal booby trap, and the class's eyes fairly glistened with expectation. She started to sit down; the class was panting. Then, all of a sudden, her right hand described an arc across the seat of the chair, and the snowball found itself in the wastebasket.

The classes are made more interesting by variations in the schedule. Every so often bingo games are staged (Mrs. Barrow blushes at the thought of having no license); the numbers are called out in German and the winners receive prizes. Not gifts of \$10,000 and a month's vacation in Miami, but lollipops, which are nearly as good. They also have dramatizations in class of German stories, which often turn out funnier than expected.

In fact, German is far from being as dry a course as some might think, and the period three and period seven students of 310 keep plugging away with many a laugh 'twixt das Alphabet and Wilhelm Tell.

Don Arnstine



Amster and Hollander Working on one of the Art Club's projects are, L. R., Nancy Brownell, Jill Bryant, Mary Burney.

Art Club Performs Duties

Shakerites owe an enthusiastic vote of thanks to the members of Mr. Charles Jeffery's Art Service Club, who daily give up their second period study halls in order to take care of the numerous requests for art work from all parts of the school. These students make signs for everything and everybody from "Beat Glenville" to dance decorations.

Oddly enough, the four constituents of the organization, Barbara Bauhof, Nan Brownell, Jill Bryant, and Mary Burney, are all 10B's of Alfred Linscheid's homeroom, 300. They may be found diligently working in room 209 the second period each day of the week.

Mr. Jeffery says the benefits obtained from being a part of the club are these: "Members of the Art Service Club gain experience in art work involving display and adver-

tising techniques plus big decoration problems which are not a part of the art class program." At present, the club is designing the units for the 11A prom.

Another art department note concerns a student in one of Kenneth Caldwell's art classes. The design for a stained glass window made by Mary Mountcastle, is to be used in the forthcoming play, *Elizabeth the Queen*.

Mary Ellen Gazley

KEYHOLE KAPERS

by
Joyce & Katy



"Short and Sweet" was once our motto;
And stick to it we really ought to.

• • • Although no relation to Karl Marx, **Marl Marks** also tried to start something new. Among her associates on this fateful day were **Anne Knowlton**, **Jean Cowan**, **Norma Kaplan**, **Mary Jo Gibbs**, **Shirley Johnson**, and **Bonny MacGregor**. They borrowed their father's socks and wore them in an attempt to start a new fad. But tremendous bravery couldn't weather the storm of comments, and by noon they had changed back to the usual short, white socks.

• • • ABOUT—

Chuck Conant (the woman hater) must have been a Boy Scout once. His good deed for the month was done for Miss Alma Bowen. After a pre-class berry fight in which he took no part, Chuck acted as janitor and cleaned up the mess. School work was forgotten while the class and teacher roared at the unusual sight of Chuck working.

Babs Pavell, in case anyone has been startled by her blood-curdling scream, is only practicing for her part on the radio program, "Your F.B.I." If she used this particular talent on "The Fairytale Theater" she'd probably scare the poor little kiddies out of a year's growth.

Sally Schoenberger is a very lucky girl. She has been nominated Queen of a Case dance tomorrow night! If she's been acting a little nervous lately, that's why.

• • • Does **Fred** plan to make **Campbell's Soup** in those big "kettle" drums? If so, **June Taylor** will stir it with her baton for him. . . . Can anyone think up a more original name than "Mutt & Jeff" for **Jean Cowan** and **Todd Kolb**? . . . Will **Jane Bellamy**'s tonsils refuse to stay removed and grow back in? They put up a stubborn two-hour fight with the doctors, so they just may be contrary enough to grow back. (It's possible.) . . . Has **Zoanne Dodds** had a preview of heaven? She knows a certain **Angyal** very well.

• • • "Red" **Abell** and **Bob Laird** won a bet they made with a coach last summer. They're still going steady with the girls they went with then. According to **Fred Heinlen**, "They'll do anything for a milk shake."

• • • **Sue Cozzens** has had dozens, but she seems to prefer them "Frye-d." And **Nancy** seems to have "Glicked" with **Dave Janson**. Has **Bill Zwier** become the soloist in **Alexander's Ragtime Band**?

• • • **John Berlick** certainly gets a lot of kidding. Lately he has had to put up with being called "Paramecium" because of a mistake in biology class. What will his name be when they reach the fish-dissecting stage?

Pep Chief Object of Shaker Student Council

The student council's chief objective in recent weeks has been increased student support of Shaker's sports program. The Pep Committee has spent much time planning rallies before the important football games, and their efforts have born fruit—the largest cheering section rooting for Shaker at the Lakewood contest. Members of the Pep Committee are Terry Miskell, chairman, Judy Relyea, Ky Lewis, Dick Danka, Nina Wonderlich, and Lou Seidman.

The snack bar is about to be reopened; this was a highly successful project of the student council last year, and high hopes are held for this year's operation.

Shaker's Christmas welfare drive, sponsored by the student council and conducted by the homeroom welfare chairman, will climax the year. The council is confident that the support of this campaign will be as wholehearted as that of the Community Chest.

Shaker Grad at Play House

Rita Hamilton, a 1946 graduate of Shaker High School, joined the Play House company this season as a student in the School of Theater and currently is working on the costuming for the forthcoming Play House Drury Theater production of "Life With Father," opening on Tuesday, November 30.

"Life With Father" will replace the current production, "Another Part of the Forest," scheduled to conclude its run in the Drury Theater on Sunday, November 28.



Young scientists practicing what they have learned in the classroom are left to right: Jim Sears, Polly Price, Howard Rosen and Judy Pfefferle. Practicing what he preaches is Mr. Jones, instructor.

Curious Odors in 305 Result of Budding Scientists' Experiments

What evil lurks in the minds of men? The Hood knows. When fiendish monsters create new compounds for the tormenting of innocent mankind, who is the first to get wind of this devilish creation? It is the Hood, of course. Who or what is this Hood? It is not an organ of the law as is its counterpart, the Shadow. No, indeed! The Hood is an instrument for the perpetration of crime. It is a "cover up" agent for the noxious activities of the underworld. For Pete's sake, Qu'est-ce que c'est que cela?

The Hood is a permanent, life-saving fixture in room 305, affectionately called the chemistry lab. The Hood is an enclosed ventilator, and five minutes in the lab with the sixth period chemistry class is enough to guess that the Hood is not used sufficiently.

There are three things that a chemistry student must always remember, and these are: 1, his workbook; 2, his locker key; 3, not to sneeze while pouring acid. With these three firmly impressed in every student's conscience, the lab door is opened, the checkered flag descends, and the lab session is under way. (In all due respect to the physics department, it must be said here that its 20-yard lab dashes are still unsurpassed in ferocity and thrills.)

As the cloud of dust clears away, it is clearly visible that the room is a beehive of activity. Different students are, of course, proceeding in different ways. At the crack of the gun, Bill McConnell and Gary Goldsmith start to set up their apparatus, and it is going up faster than a monkey wrench factory in wartime, it is a well known fact that these two are never satisfied unless they finish at least five minutes before the rest. Proceeding from a different light is Dick Markey, who gazes quizzically at the workbook while his lab partner fumbles for his locker key. Completely undisturbed by the profundity of the experiment is "Spike" Schulist, who calmly walks up to the supply window with an arbitrary number of test tubes and says, "Fill 'er up."

There are only a few minor tragedies. Loretta Dyer starts by pouring hydrochloric acid into a beaker, but, sweet child, she misses the beaker. Only the quick thinking of Joan Alcox keeps the stuff

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The Shares fleet has finned its way out front this semester by enlisting twenty-one new recruits. These girls were put through exceedingly tough drills on the afternoon of their initiation. Some witnessed such experiences as duckings and splashings, while others were made to wipe up all the water around the deck, as well as clean the bottom of the pool with scrub brushes. After all the rookies were thoroughly water-logged the announcement was made that a pot-luck supper would be served in the mess hall as soon as they were ready to enjoy it.

New officers of the Shares Club this year are: president, Katy Anthony; vice-president, Mary Alice Faragher, secretary, Fluer Woods, treasurer, Joan Rutherford; and assistant treasurer, Elizabeth Mapes.

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It was a bitter, spirited, hard fighting Shaker eleven that battled a more powerful Lakewood team in the sleet and cold at Lakewood field November 13. Despite the loss of Dick Danka and Todd Kobl, the Raiders fought the Rangers on even terms for three periods until the Purple and Yellow's weight advantage began to tell. Beyond a doubt, though the score was 21-6 in favor of Lakewood, this was a moral victory for Shaker.



No. 35, Jack Snekett, Shaker end, goes after a pass in the Shaker-Lakewood game, November 13.



SHAKER PLAYS DEVILBISS IN '49 AND '50

Coach Bob Breitenstein announces that Toledo DeVilbiss has been signed to play the Raiders in football Saturday, October 29, 1949, at Shaker and Friday night, October 27, 1950, at Toledo. This fills in for an open date on the '48 schedule. Shaker is negotiating for games to be played in the spots held this year by Cuyahoga Falls and Kent Roosevelt, whose present contracts have expired. When added to the regular league games, these will give the Red and White a nine-game schedule.

SENATE SLATED SATURDAY AT STADIUM

If you want a fine time plus a red hot football game and a chance to see your own Shaker athletes compete against outstanding boys from other schools, the place for you is the Cleveland Stadium on November 27, where the 18th annual Charity Football Game will be played. This gridiron classic brings together the Senate Football League's eastern and western division champs. Besides a bangup game there will be three nationally known stars of stage, screen, and radio along with contests in running, passing, and place-kicking, and awards to the best drum major and majorette. Representing Shaker in the running event will be Robin Brown and another player to be named. Van Seasholes will do the passing and Chuck Rauh the place-kicking.

SHAKER BATTING .667

Congratulations, sophomores. Your winning the Lake Erie League Junior Varsity football crown gives Shaker two out of three of the championships in sports entered this school year. To you and your coach, Eugene Branson, go the hearty thanks of the student body. As the record stands the Raiders hold the Lake Erie tennis and J. V. football titles. Now let's get the others!

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

At a time when most people were awaiting the coming of the basketball season the underclassmen of the '48 Raider football team were looking forward to an extra week of practice in preparation for a determined drive at the 1949 LEL varsity football championship. This situation arose on the presentation of a petition signed by thirty members of the present squad which read something like this: "We, the undersigned, in order to bring a Lake Erie League football championship to Shaker in 1949..." It looks like the gridiron motto for next season will be "our time is '49."

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Combining height with speed, this year's Shaker basketeers have their sights set on a victory over Glenville here December 3 to start them rolling toward a Lake Erie League basketball title. Bolstered by five lettermen, one of whom is all-league center Ted Kobl, the present Red Raiders shape up as strong contenders for championship honors.

The outstanding play of the whole Shaker line held the west siders mostly to short gains, while the fine receiving of end Jack Sackett set up the Raider scoring threats. The Red and White touchdown, itself, came in the third quarter on a pass from Bill Zweier to Angelo Santa Maria, who scampered over from the ten-yard stripe. Shaker kept the Lake Erie champs guessing throughout most of the game with a tricky offense and an unorthodox defense.

This game showed particularly the kind of play to expect from the Raiders next year. In the backfield, Robin Brown, Dave Gleason, Earl Byrne, Angelo Santa Maria, and Van Seasholes, all of whom played a greater part of the game, will return in 1949. Tackles Bill Klien and Dick Danka, who was unable to play because of an injury, will also be back. Ron Schulman should have little trouble retaining his first-string guard position next season, while Bob Teisher will lead the end candidates. Besides these, Bob Elton, a letter winner a year ago but ineligible in '48, and Don Kirk, injured midway through this campaign, will also shoot for backfield berths.

The most encouraging sign, however, is given by the present members of the sophomore squad, which won the LEL J.V. football crown. Tom Rooker, an excellent punter and bruising fullback, has the necessary weight and strength to take over a first-string position in '49. Shifty Eddie Kreiger and speedy Frank Leonetti, along with quarterback Ronnie Beron are also hot prospects. Ends George Karsh and Willis McFarlane should bolster their position, while Page Swing, Tony Lombardo, and Tom Terhune will add strength to the middle of the line.

As the situation now shapes up the Red and White will have a wealth of backfield talent, so, some of them will probably be shifted to other spots. The 1949 gridders promise to be hard and tough and will be in the thick of the championship battle.

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